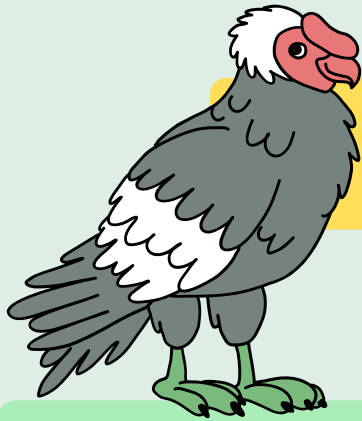


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WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Welcome to the Primer series. Here you will find the weekly Primer articles and some curated resources to support teaching and learning.

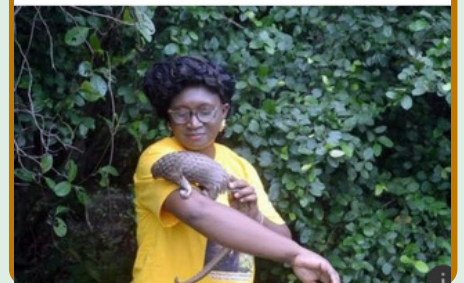
In this issue, let's learn more about wildlife conservation and consider its value given the competing demand for resources and inevitability of extinction of species.

Halting the biodiversity crisis

This is the third of a series of 12 primers on current affairs and issues in the news, and what they mean for Singapore



Shabana Begum
The Straits Times



<https://go.gov.sg/2023primer3-begum1>



<https://go.gov.sg/2023primer3-begum2>

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In this issue, we will:

- learn about the complexities of wildlife conservation;
- discover the factors that contribute to biodiversity loss and plans to restore biodiversity; and
- develop a greater understanding of the different perspectives on the protection of endangered species.

BACKGROUND

Scan or click on the QR codes below to access the links.

WHY IS BIODIVERSITY IMPORTANT?



<https://go.gov.sg/2023primer3-tedvid>

Watch this video to find out what biodiversity is and its significance to our lives.



<https://go.gov.sg/2023primer3-attenborough>

Watch this video to learn about the causes of biodiversity loss and why we need biodiversity.

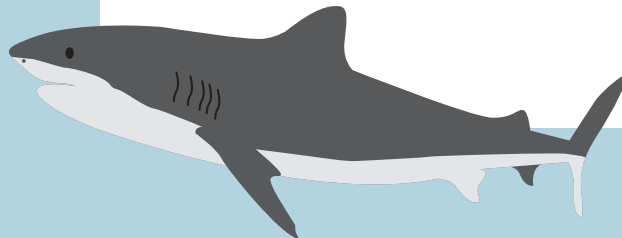


THE BIODIVERSITY CRISIS – A VISUAL GUIDE

Learn about the biodiversity crisis and how conservation efforts can prevent the loss of wildlife.



<https://go.gov.sg/2023primer3-greenfield>



A GLOBAL PACT FOR WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Read about the unprecedented decline in wildlife and ecosystems as well as the opportunities and challenges of establishing a global pact.



<https://go.gov.sg/2023primer3-cna>



PERSPECTIVES

Scan or click on the QR codes below to access the links.

As you read these articles, consider the following:

- To what extent should wildlife be conserved given the many competing demands for resources?
- How far do you agree with the different perspectives and how does each writer's view support or challenge other views?

EXTINCTION IS AN ISSUE IN ITS OWN RIGHT

Boakes and Redding put forth the view that consensus and urgent action are needed to control extinction.



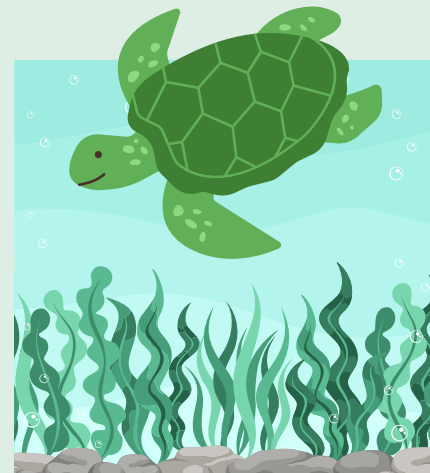
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HOW MUCH IS A SPECIES WORTH?

Taimur presents the view that conservationists should consider economics.



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COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS IN CONSERVATION EFFORTS



<https://go.gov.sg/2023primer3-quah-tan>

Quah and Tan argue that valuing biodiversity in Singapore requires ecologists and economists to work closely together to refine valuation techniques to account for the complexities of biodiversity.



EXTEND YOUR UNDERSTANDING: RESOURCES FOR BLENDED LEARNING

Want to learn more about wildlife conservation?
Scan or click on these QR codes for more information.

Green Pulse by The Straits Times

Listen to this podcast on how humans are exploiting wild plants and animals.



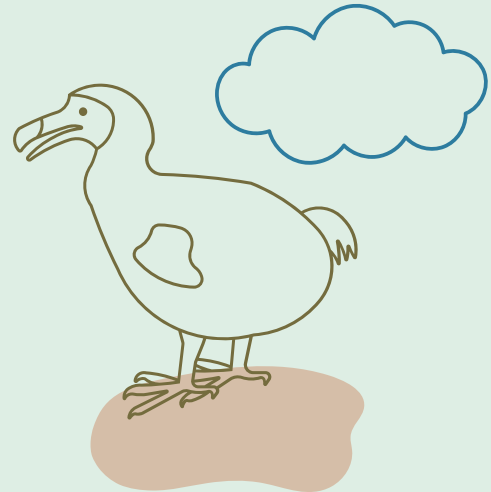
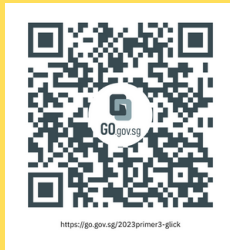
The role of the private sector in conservation efforts

Funding by businesses helps with innovative solutions in conservation programmes.



Bringing back the dodo - Will de-extinction work?

A biotech company is resurrecting the iconic dodo. What benefits might this bring?



OTHER ST RESOURCES

ST GP RESOURCES



ST IB RESOURCES



ST-MOE NEWS OUTREACH PROGRAMME 2023 PRIMER TOPICS

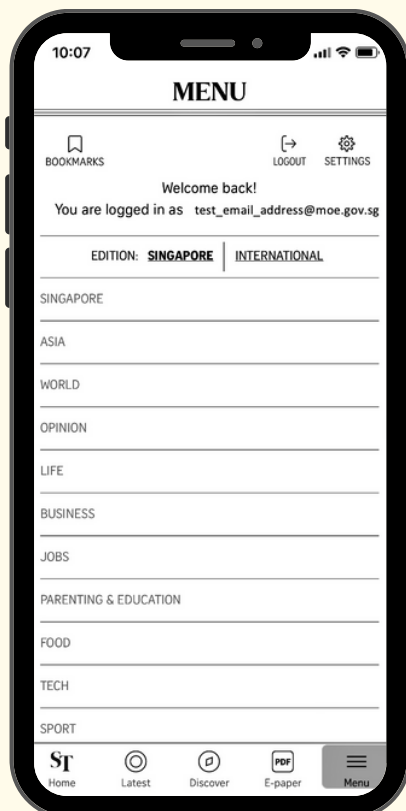
20 Mar	<u>Resource Scarcity, Climate Considerations and Implications on Geopolitics</u>
27 Mar	<u>Budget 2023</u>
3 Apr	<u>Wildlife Conservation</u>
10 Apr	The Value of International Sporting Competitions Today
17 Apr	Regulation of Medical Technology
8 May	Fame and Celebrity Culture
15 May	The Search for Authenticity in an Interconnected World
22 May	Strengthening Intergenerational Bonds
17 Jul	Words Matter: Language and Power
24 Jul	The Place of Museums Today
31 Jul	The Sharing Economy
7 Aug	Doing Good

ACCESS TO PREMIUM ARTICLES

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step-by-step
instructions on
how to log in to
ST Online.**



<https://go.gov.sg/2023-stonline-log-guide>



READING CAMPAIGN

Organised in conjunction with the Primer season
(over 12 weeks from 20 March to 7 August)

PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

- One winner per school per week*
- Winners are determined based on the total number of articles read in each week.
- Each winner will receive a prize from SPH Media Limited.

*Past winners will not be eligible in the following weeks but will qualify for the final round.

FINAL ROUND

- The top three students who read the most articles over the 12 weeks will be identified from the weekly winners and they will receive attractive prizes from SPH Media Limited!
- The school with the highest average number of articles read during the Primer season will also be announced at the end of the campaign.

WEEK 1 READING CHAMPS!

ESTHER LOW SI EN	ASRJC	ELIORA DELPHINE LOO YUN	NUS High
ZAYNE HOR	ACJC	TAN VALENCIA	RI
CLAIRE SZE WEI ROBERTS	ACS(I)	LOW YUE YING	RVHS
TAN YONG JAY	CJC	SATO YUITO	SAJC
YEO KAI XIN CASEY	DHS	CHONG I-YIN	SOTA
ANG KAI LING	EJC	SAMANTHA THERESA ORTEGA	SSP
CHU JIA HWEE JASMINE	HCI	JACEY TEDJASASMITA	SJI
XAVIER LIM ZHE MING	JPJC	NG JING ZHE, DYLAN	TMJC
JERMAINE NG	MI	HOR EE FONN XERROMNE	TJC
NG XIN HUI	NYJC	FU WENJING	VJC
LUCAS CHAN JIN SIANG	NJC	TEH ZI EN	YIJC

WEEK 2 READING CHAMPS!

OH KANG XU, JEREMY	ASRJC	CHOO ZHI YUAN, WINSTON	NUS High
EUAN ADAM LOH KENJI	ACJC	LIM SHU HAN	RI
RACHEL SEAH RUI QI	ACS(I)	CHUA JING WEN RACHEL	RVHS
JOANNE LEE	CJC	WONG LE XUAN	SAJC
TAN ZHI HUI	DHS	CHARLOTTE ELISABETH LOW XINYU	SOTA
VALERIE TAN YA XIN	EJC	LUM WAI YAN, JANELLE	SSP
NICOLE LEE JIAXUAN	HCI	STEPHEN LIM JING YI	SJI
ZARA ANG YU JIA	JPJC	WAYNE LIW YAO WEI	TMJC
CHEE PEI XUAN NATALIE	MI	TRACY GOH PEI QI	TJC
JANELLE KUAH PECK GEK	NYJC	CINDY CHEN YINGXIN	VJC
GOH ZHI YU	NJC	CHLOE SIM SWEE ANNE	YIJC